

Give one
uncolored copy
of Mills' Statement
to Barker.

See Dan. Statement
with Mills on Dec 3, 1922 Dec 18 30
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Elaine Reinhardt and James Mills were married on Dec. 18, 1905. Mills had always lived in New Brunswick; his mother and several brothers, including Henry Mills, live there also. Charlotte, who was ~~Mills was a shoe cutter by trade~~ sixteen in 1922, and Dan, who was nine or ten in 1922, are the only children of Elaine and James Mills.

Elaine's family were Germans, who had lived in New Brunswick for years - she had several sisters and brothers. She seems to have been uncontrollable from youth and it is gossip that her marriage to Mills when she was only sixteen was forced because of her pregnancy. She was fond of reading modern sex novels, was devoted to music, had fair taste and apparently enjoyed expressing her thoughts in writing. She rebelled against the poverty of the home Mills provided for her and aspired to "higher things". The Church of St John the Evangelist absorbed her interest. She and Mrs. Minnie Clarke were the two most faithful volunteer workers at the Church. She & her daughter Charlotte were intimate. Mills and Dan were companions. Husband and wife appear to have had incompatible temperaments and quarrelled continually. Elaine was not strong physically and particularly after an operation in Jan, 1922 when she had a kidney removed she suffered much pain from time to time. Charlotte's statements from mother. See Digest C.W.

In 1922 James Mills was Acting St John's and also janitor of the Port J. H.S., earning a total of \$125 or \$135 per month. He was a quiet, unassuming person, content with his lot in life and scornful of the aspirations of his wife and daughter for "higher things". Unless pushed beyond endurance, a harmless man, one whom people instinctively bowed down on and pitied. He was the least worthwhile of his mother's children. Years before 1922, Mills had been a shoe cutter by trade, but the factory moved from N.B. & Mills then turned to odd jobs. He continued however to keep his shoe cutter's knife, a very sharp one, and repaired the family's shoes.

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* went thru H's desk
on Friday night & search
for wife's letters.

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On Friday, bet 8 & 9 a.m., to church & open windows. Saw Mr. H.
see p. 6 Parker H. bet for comment.

Then saw Mr. H. around noon. See p 7. mid.

Five

7:30 at Hae house.

Then back to church bet after 9th. -- then soda; home at 9:40.

On Sat., went to Mr. H's in a.m., Sep. 8 mid.

Then to my wife sister (Mrs. Zennens), Cf. Mills Station at bearing.

Told some of the finding bodies.

Knew where Eastern Ave road was p. 8.

Went to Mr. Hall's - Had ammonia - near faint.

Home & then to Blake St. Totten wanted to see him at home.

This was about 2.

Mills came to N. house again on Sunday eve. Didn't
like to see Mr. H.

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Notes.

Mills looked at them on Wednesday.
"Changes of address" p. 12 of.
"Forey - dear"

~~Changes~~

Parker p 10 mid.

No Salutation - not mailed - not signed.

found H's desk ransacked on Sat. night!

Mills shows complete faith in H. Parker J. 13 bot.

Series quarrels with wife over H.

Mills says letters from H. to Mrs. M. were taken from Mills
house while Mrs. M. was in hospital. How did he know.

Clammyant - My. Feb 1923 - Ellis Parker - Mrs. Pegler - Phil Payne
"I am innocent" to Parker

Barnharts tell Della they know of relation's pen Dec 30.

Mills' quarrelling

Mr. Opie says Mills' quarrelling much.